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AFRICAN PRIDE 2002 PROGRAM

'TIME FOR HEALING'

23rd Sept. Wellness Programs - Discussions: Challenges of HIV/AIDS. This workshop will facilitate HIV/AIDS education and counseling programs. Focus will also be given to the already infected. Programs will be designed to address healthy and safer lifestyles. For the youth program, customized programs designed to address teenage suicides and other challenges faced by gay teens will be discussed. 'Coming Out', Maintaining Gay relationships, Violence, abuse and crises intervention strategies will be debated and work shopped at this forum.

24th Sept. THE SIMON NKOLI DAY - This day is set aside to pay tribute to the late activist Simon Nkoli for his contribution to end discrimination against the gay communities. The 'SIMON AND I' documentary will be screened on this commemoration day. A candle lighting commemoration ceremony will be held to acknowledge those who have lost loved ones to **AIDS** related complexes.

25th Understand Your Rights - This program outlines what individuals need to know about their Rights as gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender communities in South Africa. Constitutional Rights. How to deal with harassment, discriminatory and other issues prevalent in these societies.

26th Spiritual Cultural Dilemma Workshop - This forum will offer spiritual healing and understanding to same gender relationships and the challenges that our culture adds to the struggles faced by gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender communities. This workshop will also address issues of guilt and condemnation.

27th Brainstorming Session - This will enable the team to set up structures and plan the road ahead based on the outcome of the daily workshops.

AFRICAN PRIDE ENTERTAINMENT:

- 22nd **WELCOME PARTY**
  For all out of town Visitors – experience an 'eKasi Party' in Soweto

- 23rd **MEET & GREET PARTY**
  Get together where we will be introducing our fellow **INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF BLACK PRIDE REPRESENTATIVES** and other International Guests.

- 26th **EXPERIMENTAL THEATRE, ART EXHIBITION & POETRY**

- 27th **MISS GAY SOWETO & AFTER PARTY**

- 28th **AFRICAN PRIDE 2002 AFTER PARTY**

- 29th **THE AFTERMATH**